GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

MINES & MINERALS – Major Minerals - Grant of Composite License for Tungsten and Associated Mineral Block over an extent of 308.30 Hectares in Balepalyam (V), Kanaganapalle (M), Sri Satya Sai District, in favour of M/s Hindustan Zinc Limited - Orders - Issued.

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INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.MS.No. 206 Dated: 10-11-2025

Read the following:

1. Government of India, letter No.M.IV-2306/10/2024-Mines IV, dt:07.11.2024
2. Govt. Memo No.INC01-MG/53/2025-M-II-2, dt: 15.05.2025
3. From the C&DMG, AP., letter No.2624086/Balepalyam Block/2024, Dt:23-09-2025 and eFile (C.No:2775805) Dt:10.10.2025.

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ORDER:

The Government of India, in their letter 1st read above, have informed that they have conducted E-Auction of Balepalyam Tungsten and Associated mineral block, Ananthapuramu District, Andhra Pradesh. M/s Hindustan Zinc Limited has submitted the highest Final Price Offers 06.55% (Six point Fifty Five percent) and has been declared as Preferred Bidder by the Ministry of Mines, Government of India. M/s. Hindustan Zinc Limited through their letter dt:20.11.2024, has submitted Performance Security in the form of Bank Guarantee of Rs.5,902/- vide BG No:0544NDLG00206825, dt:14.11.2024 valid for a period of 5 years issued by ICICI Bank Limited, Udaipur, Rajasthan.

2. In the memo 2nd read above, Government has issued Letter of Intent (LOI) for auction of Tungsten and Associated Mineral Block for grant of Composite License for an extent of 308.30 Hectares in Balepalyam (V),Kanaganapalle (M), Sri Satya Sai District in favour of M/s Hindustan Zinc Limited and the preferred bidder will need to adhere to the conditions outlined in Rule 18(2) of the Mineral Auction Rules 2015, which specify that the bidder will be considered the "Successful bidder" upon:

a. Continuing to be in compliance with all the terms and conditions of eligibility.
b. Obtaining all consents, approvals, permits, no-objections and the like as may be required under applicable laws for commencement of prospecting operations; and
c. Submitting the Scheme of prospecting.

3. The Commissioner and Director of Mines& Geology, A.P., in eFile 3rd read above has stated that, DM&GO, Puttaparthy vide email Dt:16.09.2025 mailed the NoC issued by Tahsildar Kanaganapalli. The No Objection Certificate issued by the Tahsildar, Kanaganapalli Mandal, Sri Sathya Sai District vide RC.No. 88/2025(B), dt:11.09.2025 to an extent of 308.3 Hects along with land details and no Forest land was found in the NoC area issued by the Tahsildar. The Hindustan Zinc Limited submitted a Notarized affidavit in a Indian non judicial stamp on 19.07.2025 and assured that they will obtain the necessary land consent, as may be required, from private landowners for drilling operations in CL Block and committed to all applicable laws, rules and regulations. The Commissioner and Director of Mines & Geology, AP., has, therefore, requested the Government to grant Composite License for Tungsten and Associated Mineral Block, for an extent of 308.30 Hectares in Balepalyam (V), Kanaganapalle (M), Sri Satya Sai District under Rule 18(3) of Mineral Concession Rules, 2015.

4. Government, after careful examination of the above facts and circumstances reported by the C&DM&G, AP., hereby grant Composite License for Tungsten and Associated Mineral Block, over an extent of 308.30 Hectares in Balepalyam (V), Kanaganapalle (M), Sri Satya Sai District in favour of M/s Hindustan Zinc Limited, under Rule 18(3) of Mineral Concession Rules, 2015, subject to the condition that the company shall obtain all prior consents/approvals from the relevant landowners or departments before commencing prospecting operations and also subject to satisfaction of all other terms and conditions laid down under MM(D&R) Act and the Rules made thereunder and also standing instructions and guidelines issued by the GoI and State Government from time to time.

5. The Commisioner and Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., shall take necessary further action accordingly, after satisfying himself that the grantee fulfils all the required terms and conditions as stipulated in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

To
The Commissioner and Director of Mines & Geology, Government of A.P., Ibrahimpatnam, NTR District.
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The Regional Controller of Mines, Vijayawada, A.P.
The PS to Prl Secy (M&G), A.P., Secretariat, Vellagapudi.
The OSD to Minister(M&G)
SF/SC (C.No:2775805)

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER